PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CITY OF RANGER TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Ranger will hold a public hearing at. 5:05 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2022 at the Ranger City Hall located at 400 W. Main St, Ranger, Texas regarding the submission of an application(s) to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application(s) and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Savannah Fortenberry, City Secretary, at the Ranger City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the city at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. For more information in Spanish, please contact Savannah Fortenberry at (254) 647-3522 or email to Citysecretary@rangertx.gov.

AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA CIUDAD DE RANGER

PROGRAMA DE SUBVENCIONES PARA BLOQUES DE DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO DE TEXAS

La ciudad de Ranger celebrará una audiencia pública en. 5:05 p.m. el lunes 12 de diciembre del 2022 en el Ayuntamiento de Ranger ubicado en 400 W. Main St, Ranger, Texas con respecto a la presentación de una solicitud al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas para una subvención del Programa de Subvenciones para Bloques de Desarrollo Comunitario de Texas (TxCDBG). El propósito de esta reunión es permitir a los ciudadanos la oportunidad de discutir el plan de participación ciudadana, el desarrollo de las necesidades locales de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario, la cantidad de financiamiento de TxCDBG disponible, todas las actividades elegibles de TxCDBG, y el uso de fondos anteriores de TxCDBG. La Ciudad alienta a los ciudadanos a participar en el desarrollo de esta aplicación TxCDBG y a dar a conocer sus puntos de vista en esta audiencia pública. Los ciudadanos que no puedan asistir a esta reunión podrán presentar sus puntos de vista y propuestas a Savannah Fortenberry, alcaldesa, en el Ayuntamiento de Ranger. Las personas con discapacidad que deseen asistir a esta reunión deben ponerse en contacto con el Ayuntamiento para Organizar la asistencia. Las personas que requieran ayudas o servicios auxiliares para esta reunión deben ponerse en contacto con la ciudad al menos dos días antes de la reunión para que se puedan hacer las disposiciones apropiadas. Para obtener más información en español, póngase en contacto con Savannah Fortenberry al (254) 647-3522 o envíe un correo electrónico a Citysecretary@rangertx.gov.

- * This notice must be published at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the scheduled hearing.
- ** The City must retain a copy of the published notice.
- *** Publisher's Affidavit is needed for this notice.

TO BE PUBLISHED ONE TIME: 12-09-22

V. Public Notice

A public notice concerning the activities and activity locations included in the TxCDBG application will be published at least 5 days prior to submission and a copy of the application will be available for public review during normal office hours.

Community Development Fund Regional Allocation for 2021:

PY 2021 Allocation \$2,660,831
\$2,660,831
\$2,119,818
\$1,508,751
\$2,362,700
\$2,547,915
\$1,750,636
\$941,695
\$3,401,053
\$4,320,108
\$1,323,194
\$3,135,056
\$2,024,921
\$1,722,589
\$2,158,146
\$5,676,030
\$1,537,804
\$1,683,402
\$2,133,562
\$2,072,328
\$1,686,897
\$1,716,720
\$1,956,659
\$1,273,611
\$2,159,925

2023-24 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM PUBLIC HEARING

. General Information

- We appreciate your attending the public hearing and your participation. Your questions are welcome.
- B. The Texas Department of Agriculture requires written complaint procedures to be on file. These will be on file and available during normal office hours. It should also be pointed out that citizens unable to attend this hearing may submit their views and proposals during normal business hours.

II. Eligible Applicants

- Units of general local government which are not eligible for the entitlement funds under HUD's Community Development Block Grant.
 - 1. Cities of less than 50,000 population
- 2. Non-urban Counties (less than 200,000 population)
- B. Assistance is available in 6 proposed funding categories:
 - Community Development Fund (CD)
 FAST Fund
 - 3. Colonia Fund
 - 4. Planning/Capacity Building Fund
 - 5. State Urgent Need Fund
 - 6. Downtown Revitalization/Main Street Programs (DRP/MS)

III. Proposed Activities

- All proposed activities must meet at least one of three national program objectives:
 - Principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons
 - At least 51% of the identified beneficiaries must have a family income of less than 80% of the area median income
 - Two methods of determining low- and moderateincome percentage
 - i. 2020 census data or American Community Survey data
 - ii. Door-to-door survey of the project area
 - Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum or blighted areas
 - Meet other community development needs of a particular urgency which represent an immediate threat to the health and safety of residents of the community
- B. Eligible Activities:
 - 1. Water System Improvements
 - 2. Wastewater System Improvements

- Street Improvements
- Drainage Improvements
- Housing Rehabilitation
- Handicapped Accessibility Improvements
- Fire Protection Facilities
- Health Clinics/Shelters for Persons with Special Needs
- **Gas/Electrical Facilities**
- 10. Solid Waste Disposal Facilities
- 11. Community/Senior/Social Service Centers *Priority scoring has been established by each COG's **Executive Committee.**
- C. Ineligible Activities
 - 1. Construction of buildings used for the general conduct of government (city halls, courthouses, jails)
 - New housing construction (except under some circumstances)
 - **Political Activities**
 - 4. Purchase of construction equipment (except under STEP program)
 - Income payments, such as housing allowances
 - 6. Most operation and maintenance expenses

IV. Funding

- A. Community Development Fund
 - 1. These funds are allocated by state planning region. Funds are allocated to each state planning region to ensure a broad geographic distribution of funds as shown on the Table on Page 4 of this brochure.
 - The maximum amount available for each applicant is \$500,000 set by the Unified Scoring Committee (USC) at a Statewide level.
 - 4. The minimum amount that may be applied for is \$75,000.
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 5. For the 2023 and 2024 funding cycles, the application deadline is April 3, 2023. After the 2023 funds are designated to the communities, the next applicants in rank order will be funded with the 2024 funds approximately the late summer of 2024.
- B. FAST Fund
 - 1. Fire, Ambulance and Service Truck Fund
 - 2. Funding availability as available and announced by TDA.
 - 3. The maximum amount available for each individual application is \$750,000.
 - 4. The Fire, Ambulance, & Service Truck (FAST) Fund provides funds for eligible vehicles to provide emergency response and special services to rural communities.

C. Colonia Fund

These funds are available to eligible county applicants for projects in severely distressed unincorporated areas which meet the defini -tion as a "colonia" under these funds. Scoring of all the selection criteria for Colonia Fund applications is completed by TxCDBG staff. To be a colonia on the basis of objective criteria, including lack of potable water supply, lack of adequate sewage systems, and lack of decent, safe, and sanitary housing; and was in exist ence as a colonia before the date of the enactment of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Afford-able Housing Act (November 28, 1990). Application Deadline: May 3, 2022

D. Planning and Capacity Building Fund (PCB)

The Planning and Capacity Building Fund is a competitive grant program for local public facility and housing planning activities. Localities apply for financial assistance to prepare a "comprehensive plan" or any of its components. Typical activities regard topics such as: Base Mapping, Land Use, Housing, Population, Economic Development and/or Tourism, Central Business District, Street Conditions, Thoroughfares, Parks and Recreation, Water Distribution and Supply, Wastewater Collection and Treatment, Drainage (streets & flood hazard areas), Gas or Electric Systems (if owned by the locality), Community Facilities, Capital Improvements Program, Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Regulation. Section 105(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, outlines all the generally eligible activities

E. State Urgent Need Fund (SUN)

The State Urgent Need (SUN) Fund is available following natural disasters and events that are not eligible for federal disaster assistance. The SUN program provides financial assistance to address disaster-related damage to public infrastructure and utilities, including repair, replacement, and mitigation measures.

F. Downtown Revitalization and Main Street Programs

The DRP/MS program objective is to provide infrastructure improvements to address the conditions that contribute to the deterioration in an area designated as slum or blighted in the ap plicant community's downtown or main street area. To qualify un der this objective, the project area must: 1. be officially designated by the applicant through passed/adopted city council resolution; 2. meet a definition of a slum, blighted, deteriorated, or deteriorate ing area under State or local law; and 3. exhibit physical signs of blight or decay. Eligible activities include sidewalks, lighting, elimi nation of architectural barriers, water/sewer lines and road construction including curb, gutter and related drainage.

Application max: \$500,000 Application Deadline: May 3, 2022